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10 a.m. . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . **Consultations Room**

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Other matters

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

2.30–5.30 p.m. . . . . 21st meeting . . . . . **Conference Room 2**

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (A/59/13, A/59/151, A/59/260, A/59/279 and A/59/442) . . . . . [75]

General debate

General Assembly
Fifty-ninth session

General Committee

The 5th informal meeting (closed) of the General Committee will be held on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, *from 9 to 10 a.m.* in Conference Room 5, to discuss matters relating to the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly and other matters.

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Second Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. . . 22nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

1. **Globalization and interdependence (A/59/138, A/59/115, A/59/155-E/2004/96 and A/59/158) . . . . . [87]**

   (a) Globalization and interdependence (A/59/312)

   (b) International migration and development (A/59/325 and A/59/73)

   (c) Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin (A/59/203)

   (d) Culture and development (A/59/202)

   (e) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy (A/59/301)

   Conclusion of general discussion

2. **Macroeconomic policy questions (A/59/80-E/2004/61, A/59/80/Corr.1-E/2004/61/Corr.1, A/59/115 and A/59/155-E/2004/96) . . . . . [83]**

   (a) International trade and development (A/59/15 (Parts I-V), A/59/305 and A/59/369)

   (d) Commodities (A/59/304)

3. **Programme planning (A/59/16, A/59/6 (Prog. 10) and A/59/6 (Prog.10)/Rev.1). . [109]**

   Introduction and general discussion

2.30–5.30 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 4

Panel discussion for the 2004 Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review for Operational Activities for Development on the theme "United Nations development cooperation: Coordination, participation and effectiveness"

[A presentation on the functioning of the United Nations development system at country level will be made by the United Nations Sub-regional Team for Barbados and the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States. The panel, organized by the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be chaired by Mr. Marco Balarezo (Peru), Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will include Ms. Rosina Wiltshire, Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative; Ms. Veta Brown, Programme Coordinator of the Pan-American Health Organization/World Health Organization; and Ms. Jean Gough, UNICEF Area Representative. Presentations will also be made by H.E. The Hon. Elvin Nimrod, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Grenada; and Ms. Judy Williams, Secretary-General of the Grenada Community Development Agency, representing civil society. An open forum with the delegations of Member States will follow. Members of Permanent Missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information on the panel discussion, please contact the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-2825).]

Third Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. . . 34th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Advancement of women . . . . . [98]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.26

2. Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments . . . . . [105 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.31

3. Human rights questions (A/59/225, A/59/371, A/59/425[1] and A/C.3/59/4[1]) . . . . [105]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms (A/59/255, A/59/319, A/59/320, A/59/323, A/59/327, A/59/328, A/59/341, A/59/360, A/59/366, A/59/377, A/59/385, A/59/401, A/59/402, A/59/403, A/59/422[1], A/59/428[1], A/59/432[1], A/59/436 and A/59/525[1])

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives (A/59/256, A/59/269, A/59/311, A/59/316, A/59/340, A/59/352, A/59/367, A/59/370, A/59/378, A/59/389, A/59/413, A/C.3/59/3[1] and A/C.3/59/4[1])

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (A/59/36)

Conclusion of general discussion

[1] To be issued.

Fifth Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 117 (United Nations pension fund (A/59/9, A/59/9/Add.1, A/C.5/59/11 and A/59/447))

2.30–4.30 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 114 (Human resources management (A/59/263, A/59/263/Add.1, A/59/263/Add.2, A/59/357, A/59/211, A/59/264, A/59/291, A/59/446, A/59/217, A/59/222, A/58/666, A/59/299, A/C.5/58/L.13, A/58/283, A/59/213, A/59/213/Add.1, A/C.5/59/4, A/59/388; A/59/253, A/59/152, A/58/704; A/56/956, A/56/956/Add.1, A/59/65 and A/59/65/Add.1))

Sixth Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. . . 18th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-sixth session (A/59/10) . . . . . [144]

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives, authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council: United Nations advance team in Sudan

2. Conditions of service and compensation for officials other than Secretariat officials

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General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 49 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 49 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) will be held *today,* 2 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 49 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 49 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments) will be held *today,* 2 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

First Committee
Informal consultations

Informal consultations on agenda item 109 (Programme planning (Prog. 3), Disarmament (A/59/6 (Prog. 3) and A/59/16, chap. II, sect. C, prog. 3)) will be held *today,* 2 November 2004, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. in Conference Room S-3170B.

The Chairman's informal open-ended consultations of the First Committee will be held *today*, 2 November 2004, from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Second Committee
Informal "informals"

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Ulrika Cronenberg-Mossberg (Sweden), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (Sustainable development), will be held *today*, 2 November 2004, from 9.30 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held *today*, 2 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Gustavo Ainchil (Argentina), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind), will be held *today*, 2 November 2004, from 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. George Talbot (Guyana), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (b) (International financial system and development), will be held *today*, 2 November 2004, from 12.45 to 2.15 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland on the draft resolution on agenda item 44 (Information and communication technologies for development), will be held *today*, 2 November 2004, from 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), on the draft resolution on agenda item 87 (c) (Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin), will be held *today*, 2 November 2004, from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Stefano Toscano (Switzerland), on the draft resolutions on agenda item 85 (c) (International Strategy for Disaster Reduction) and on international cooperation to reduce the impact of the El Niño phenomenon, will be held *today*, 2 November 2004, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Juraj Koudelka (Czech Republic), on the draft resolution on natural disasters and vulnerability (under agenda item 85 (c)), will be held *today*, 2 November 2004, from 4 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Third Committee
Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations, convened by the Vice-President of the Third Committee, Ms. Astanah Banu Shri Abdul Aziz (Malaysia), to negotiate the Chairman's text relating to the issue of the revitalization of the work of the Committee, *today*, 2 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B.

There will be informal consultations, convened by the Vice-Chairperson, Ms. Mavis Kusorgbor (Ghana), on the issue of the criteria for the invitation of Special Rapporteurs, *today*, 2 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

There will be informal consultations, convened by the Vice-President with the function of Rapporteur of the Third Committee, Mr. Carlos Enrique García González (El Salvador), to negotiate the Chairman's text relating to agenda item 99 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century"), *today*, 2 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Sustainable Development
Briefing

There will be a briefing by H.E. Mr. John Ashe (Antigua and Barbuda), Chairman of the Commission on Sustainable Development, on contributions of non-governmental organizations and other major groups to the thirteenth session of the Commission and its intergovernmental preparatory meeting. The briefing, held at the request of the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development, will take place *today*, 2 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Representatives of non-governmental organizations and other major groups are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Federica Pietracci, Division for Sustainable Development, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-8497).

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 2 November 2004

JUSCANZ Group *(Second Committee experts)*

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Mason Group *(First Committee)*

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

2004 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament

9 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

2–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Group of 77 *(core group on macroeconomic policy questions: commodities)*

9.30–10.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on macroeconomic policy questions: international trade and development)*

10.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Group of 77 *(macroeconomic issues and financing for development issues)*

12.30–2.15 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Group of 77 *(Fifth Committee matters)*

12.45–2.15 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Group of 77 *(coordinating meeting on sustainable development)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 *(briefing by the Director of the Division on International Trade in Goods and Services and Commodities, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD); draft resolution on training and research: United Nations University; and draft resolution on macroeconomic policy questions: international trade and development)*

2.30–5.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on torture (under agenda item 105 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark)

9.30–11 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Meeting of co-sponsors of a Third Committee draft resolution on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

10–11.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Meeting of co-sponsors of a Third Committee draft resolution on the Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft proposal on the outcome of the ten-year review of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (organized by the Permanent Mission of Morocco)

2.30–5.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the outcome of the ten-year review of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (organized by the Permanent Mission of South Africa)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on trafficking in women and girls (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Open-ended informal consultations on improving the effectiveness of the methods of work of the First Committee (organized by the Permanent Mission of Indonesia)

10 a.m.–12 noon. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

African Group *(Third Committee experts)*

12.45–2.15 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

African Group: Group of Experts on Economic Matters

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Arab Group *(Fourth Committee experts)*

12.45–2.15 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Meeting of Legal Advisers

2.30–5.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

United Nations Development Programme

An informal consultation on the implications of simplification and harmonization on execution modalities will be held *today*, 2 November 2004, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8. All interested Member States are invited to attend.

United Nations Administrative Tribunal

The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will hold closed meetings *today*, 2 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in room DC2-0461.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Tuesday, 2 November 2004

Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon . . . . Ms. Catherine Bertini, Under-Secretary-General for Management (on the financial situation of the Organization)

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will take up agenda items 75 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East) and 76 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories), until 11 November 2004. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on these agenda items are urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers as soon as possible (room S-2977; tel. 1 (917) 367-3189).

Second Committee

Briefing

There will be a briefing on United Nations reform issues related to the Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review (TCPR) of operational activities for development, organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada, on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 8.30 to 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of all Permanent Missions are invited to attend.

Informal "informals"

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. George Talbot (Guyana), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (b) (International financial system and development), will be held on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Xolisa Mabhongo (South Africa), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity), will be held on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 9.30 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), on the draft resolution on agenda item 87 (c) (Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin), will be held on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 9.30 to 12.30 p.m. in a conference room to be announced in the *Journal*.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Irena Zubčević (Croatia), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development), will be held on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Kumar Gupta (Canada), on the draft resolution on agenda item 86 (Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and of the twenty-fifth special session of the General Assembly), will be held on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 12.45 to 2.15 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Gabriel Cremades (Spain), on the draft resolution on freshwater (under agenda item 85 (a)), will be held on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Paul Lolo (Nigeria), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (e) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa), will be held on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Félix Mbayu (Cameroon), on the draft resolution on agenda item 84 (Follow up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development), will be held on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m., in a conference room to be announced in the *Journal*.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Mark Ramsden (New Zealand), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (b) (Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States), will be held on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 4 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (tel. 1 (212) 963-8429; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail olvida@un.org)). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Third Committee

Mr. Doudou Diène (Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance) (under agenda item 103); and Ms. Shaista Shameem (Special Rapporteur on the question of the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination) (under agenda item 104), will address the Third Committee on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, at 9.30 a.m.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on agenda items 100, 103 and 104 is open (A/C.3/59/L.1/Rev.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Third Committee secretariat (Ms. Vivian Bonano (tel. 1 (212) 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are also requested to submit the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 19th meeting on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3.

Sixth Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all remaining items allocated to the Sixth Committee is open (A/C.6/59/L.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Nena Villena-Tanedo (tel. 1 (212) 963-5375; fax 1 (212) 963-1963; e-mail villena-tanedo@un.org)).

General Assembly

2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and 2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme

The 2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the 2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme, will be held on Thursday, 11 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2. It would be appreciated if delegations could submit the names of their representatives to the Pledging Conferences, in writing, to Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

The list of speakers will be open from Wednesday, 3 November 2004. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Conference (Ms. Terri Olvida (fax 1 (212) 963-5935; or e-mail olvida@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

Informal "informals"

There will be informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Xolisa Mabhongo (South Africa), on science and technology for development (item 13 (b)) and on the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its seventh session (E/2004/31, Suppl. No. 11), on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

Informal consultations

Informal consultations, convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Ms. Marjatta Rasi (Finland), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, on issues before the resumed substantive session for 2004.

Resumed substantive session 2004

The Economic and Social Council will hold a meeting of its resumed substantive session of 2004 on Friday, 5 November 2004, immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of the Least Developed Countries *(pending issues before the resumed session of the Economic and Social Council; Second Committee draft resolution on the least developed countries; and preparation for the World Conference on Disaster Reduction (18-22 January, Japan))*

There will be a meeting of the Group of the Least Developed Countries *(pending issues before the resumed session of the Economic and Social Council; Second Committee draft resolution on the least developed countries; and preparation for the World Conference on Disaster Reduction (18-22 January, Japan))* on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Group of 77 *(core group on eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006))*

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of 77 *(core group on eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006))* on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 12.30 to 2.15 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Group of 77 *(resumed substantive session of the Economic and Social Council: regional cooperation; least developed countries; and international cooperation in tax matters)*

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of 77 *(resumed substantive session of the Economic and Social Council: regional cooperation; least developed countries; and international cooperation in tax matters)*, on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)

There will be a meeting of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Open-ended informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the "Rights of the child" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina and Brazil)

Open-ended informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the "Rights of the child", organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina and Brazil, will be held on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees" (under agenda item 100) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway)

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees" (under agenda item 100), organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway, will be held on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Meeting of Legal Advisers of the States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court

There will be a meeting of the Legal Advisers of the States Parties to discuss matters relating to the International Criminal Court (ICC), on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room D.

Briefing on the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mauritius)

There will be a briefing on the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005), organized by the Permanent Mission of Mauritius, on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of Permanent Missions are invited to attend.

UNITAR/OLA seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) are jointly conducting a seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties. The seminar will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 and 10 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. The programme of the seminar will be sent to registered participants. Delegates who wish to attend the seminar are requested to return the nomination form that has been faxed to their Permanent Mission by Thursday, 4 November. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-9683).

UNITAR workshop series on policy awareness and training in information technology

As part of the series on policy awareness and training in information technology, the third high-level seminar of this year on "Policy awareness and security issues in information technology", organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will be held on Friday, 19 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The seminar is part of the third annual series, presented under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics and implemented with the active participation and sponsorship of the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation. For further information please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshops on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation jointly organize the 2004 Series entitled "Policy awareness and training in information technology" under the auspices of the Working Group on

Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which will be repeated four times throughout the year. The first four modules of each cycle focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, conceived as an interactive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology. Cycle IV of the 2004 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held until Friday, 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Monday, 1 November 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Background information on a report of the Secretary-General

Background information on the report of the Secretary-General on the modalities, format and organization of the high-level plenary meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly can be found on the United Nations Web site (www.un.org/SG).

Preparations for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (28 February-11 March 2005), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Addressing the linkages between the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome document of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly and the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: progress, gaps and challenges; and (b) Future perspectives on the promotion of gender equality through the eyes of young women and men. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org and/or proppe@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463; room DC2-1268 or room DC2-1262), no later than *19 November 2004*, indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated.

2004 Nairobi Summit on a Mine-Free World

Delegations are kindly informed that the list of speakers at the high-level segment on Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 December 2004, at the First Review Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction is now open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Executive Secretariat at the Geneva Branch of the Department for Disarmament Affairs (tel. +41 (0) 22-917-5281 or 22-917-2281). Delegations are kindly asked to indicate the level of the representative as well as the preferred time-block for delivering their statement (i.e. 2 December, morning session, 2 December, afternoon session, or 3 December, morning session). Delegations are reminded that the allotted time for statements is 6 minutes.

Electronic notice boards for meetings

Electronic notice boards for meetings were recently installed in the General Assembly Lobby and at the garden level adjacent to the Cafe Austria to display updated information on scheduled meetings taking place at Headquarters. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management would welcome feedback comments on the screens, which can be sent by logging on to http://emeets.un.org and using the feedback form, so that further adjustments can be made as necessary. The Department would also welcome comments sent to the same e-mail address on the terminology used, the quality of language services and improvement of other services provided to Member States.

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, in his capacity as the Secretary-General of the Mauritius International Meeting, announces that as per General Assembly resolution 58/213B (A/RES/58/213B), the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Barbados+10) will take place from 10 to 14 January 2005 in Mauritius. The high-level segment will be held on 13 and 14 January 2005. If necessary, it was also decided that two days of informal consultations be held in Mauritius, on 8 and 9 January 2005, to facilitate preparations for the Meeting.

Summary of meetings

Friday, 29 October 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

46th plenary meeting

Reports of the Fifth Committee

Under rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the reports of the Fifth Committee which were before the Assembly.

Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/448) . . . . . **[108]**

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/59/448) (resolution 59/12).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 108.

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/532) . . . . . **[123]**

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/59/532).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 123.

Financing of the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/531) . . . . . **[129]**

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/59/531) (resolution 59/13).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 129.

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/527) . . . . . **[136]**

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/59/527) (resolution 59/14).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 136.

Financing of the United Nations Operation in Burundi: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/528) . . . . . **[153]**

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/59/528) (resolution 59/15).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 153.

Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/529) . . . . . **[154]**

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/59/529) (resolution 59/16).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 154.

Financing of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/530) . . . . . [155]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/59/530) (resolution 59/17).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 155.

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: fourth report of the General Committee (A/59/250/Add.3) . . . . . [8]

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-ninth session, an additional item entitled "Andean Zone of Peace" under heading A (Maintenance of international peace and security) and also decided to consider the item directly in plenary meeting.

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-ninth session, an additional item entitled "Observer status for the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation in the General Assembly" under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters) and also decided to allocate it to the Sixth Committee.

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-ninth session, an additional sub-item entitled "Election of a member of the International Court of Justice" as a sub-item of agenda item 15 (Election to fill the vacancies in principal organs) under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters) and also decided to consider this sub-item directly in plenary meeting.

On the inclusion of the item entitled "The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan", recommended for inclusion by the General Committee, the debate was limited to three speakers in favour of, and three against, the inclusion, in accordance with rule 23 of the rules of procedures. Statements were made by the representatives of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Turkey (on behalf of the Organization of the Islamic Conference), Pakistan, the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union and Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Norway and Romania) and France (on behalf of the co-chairs of the Minsk Group).

The representative of Azerbaijan made a statement on a point of order.

The representative of Armenia made a statement on a point of order.

By 42 votes to 2, with 99 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly decided to include the item entitled "The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan" in the agenda of its fifty-ninth session under heading A (Maintenance of international peace and security), and also decided to consider this item directly in plenary meeting.

The representative of the Gambia made a statement on a point of order.

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to consider agenda item 36 (The situation in the Middle East) and agenda item 37 (Question of Palestine) separately.

The representative of Israel made a statement.

Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council . . . . . [15 (b)]

Since one seat from among the Eastern European States and one seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States remained to be filled, the General Assembly proceeded, to a third round of balloting (second restricted ballot).

The results of the third round of balloting (second restricted ballot) were as follows:

	Votes
Albania	118
Costa Rica	112
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	53
Venezuela	59

On the third round of the balloting (second restricted ballot), having obtained the required two-thirds majority, Albania was elected a member of the Economic and Social Council for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2005.

Since one seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States remained to be filed, the General Assembly proceeded to a fourth round of balloting (third restricted ballot).

The results of the fourth round of balloting (third restricted ballot) were as follows:

	Votes
Costa Rica	130
Venezuela	40

On the fourth round of the balloting (third restricted ballot), having obtained the required two-thirds majority, Costa Rica was elected a member of the Economic and Social Council for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2005.

The following eighteen States were elected as members of the Economic and Social Council for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2005: Albania, Australia, Brazil, Chad, China, Costa Rica, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Guinea, Iceland, India, Lithuania, Mexico, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, South Africa, Thailand, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 15.

Monday, 1 November 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

47th plenary meeting

Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency . . . . . [14]

(a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (A/59/295)

(b) Draft resolution (A/59/L.18)

Mr. Mohammed Elbaradai, Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency, made a statement, in the course of which he introduced the report of the Agency for the year 2003.

The representative of Canada made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/59/L.18.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union and Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey), Brazil (on behalf of the Southern Common Market), China, Pakistan, Ukraine, Malaysia, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Cuba, Japan, the Russian Federation, Angola, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Ghana.

Programme of work

The General Assembly was informed that, at the request of its sponsor, the consideration of agenda item 48 (Elimination of unilateral extraterritorial coercive economic measures as a means of political and economic compulsion) had been postponed to a later date.

48th plenary meeting

Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency . . . . . [14]

(a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (A/59/295)

(b) Draft resolution (A/59/L.18)

The General Assembly continued its consideration on agenda item 14.

The representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

By 123 votes to 1, with 0 abstention (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/59/L.18 (resolution 59/18).

Statements in the exercise of right of reply were made by the representatives of Japan, the Republic of Korea and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 14.

The situation in Central America: progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/307) . . . . . [26]

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union and Albania, Bulgaria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia), Mexico, Guatemala, Colombia, Canada and Norway.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 26.

Main Committees

First Committee

20th meeting

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 57-72)

The Committee continued its third stage of work (Action on all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 57-72)).

Statements were made by the representatives of Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union) and Cuba.

In explanation of vote before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Israel.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.25/Rev.1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 147 to 1, with 4 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.26/Rev.1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 93 to 42, with 18 abstentions.

The last three words of operative paragraph 5 of draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.41 were adopted by a recorded vote of 139 to 2, with 9 abstentions. Operative paragraph 5 of draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.41 was adopted by a recorded vote of 144 to 1, with 8 abstentions. Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.41 as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 149 to 3, with 6 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Colombia, the Syrian Arab Republic, France (also on behalf of the United Kingdom and the United States), India, the United States, Japan, Pakistan, Spain and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The representatives of Kuwait and Jordan also made statements.

In explanation of vote before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of the Republic of Korea.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.21/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.40/Rev.1 was adopted by a recorded vote of 140 to 1, with 18 abstentions.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.54 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Singapore, China, Cuba, the United States, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Morocco, Myanmar, India, Mali, Nepal and the Russian Federation.

The representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Somalia and Papua New Guinea also made statements.

The representative of the Republic of Korea made a statement.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

In explanation of vote before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Egypt.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.33 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, Japan, the United States and India.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.4/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.38* was adopted without a vote.

Other matters

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Netherlands, the United Kingdom, Italy, Japan, Germany, Greece, Australia, China, the United States, Egypt and Burkina Faso.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

20th meeting — *United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East* [75]

The Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) introduced his report (A/59/13).

The representative of Norway, in his capacity as Rapporteur of the Working Group on the Financing of UNRWA, introduced the report of the Working Group (A/59/442).

The Committee began its general debate and heard statements by the observer for Palestine, as well as by the representatives of Lebanon, the United Arab Emirates, the Syrian Arab Republic, Jordan, Egypt, Tunisia and Switzerland.

The observer of the Holy See made a statement.

The observer of the Organization of the Islamic Conference made a statement.

Organization of work

The Committee decided to close the list of speakers in the general debate on the same day, at 6 p.m.

The Committee decided to set Friday, 5 November, at 6 p.m. as the deadline for submission of draft proposal relating to both agenda items 75 and 76.

Second Committee

21st meeting — *Globalization and interdependence* [87]

(a) Globalization and interdependence

(b) International migration and development

(c) Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin

(d) Culture and development

(e) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 87.

Statements were made by the representatives of Bangladesh, Switzerland, Kenya, Azerbaijan, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Morocco, Malaysia, Brazil (also on behalf of Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay), Ecuador, Zambia, Nepal, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Peru, Burkina Faso, Thailand, Algeria, Oman, Saint Kitts and Nevis (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Pakistan, Jordan, the United States, Indonesia, and Croatia.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Third Committee

32nd meeting

Human rights questions . . . . . [105]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items and heard statements by the representatives of Egypt, Mongolia, Nepal, New Zealand, Australia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Iceland, Mali, Ukraine, Canada, Algeria, Zimbabwe, Ecuador and Cameroon.

Right of reply

The representative of Mali made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

33rd meeting

Promotion and protection of the rights of children . . . . . [101]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.29

The representative of Argentina introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Croatia, Monaco, Norway, the Republic of Moldova and Romania.

Programme of activities for the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People, 1995-2004 . . . . . [102]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.30

The representative of Cuba introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Antigua and Barbuda, Azerbaijan, Brazil, China, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Paraguay and the Russian Federation.

Human rights questions . . . . . [105]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items and heard statements by the representatives of Peru, Turkmenistan, Viet Nam, the Russian Federation, Thailand, the Sudan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Haiti and Serbia and Montenegro.

The representatives of the International Development Law Organization, the International Organization for Migration, the Inter-Parliamentary Union, the International Committee of the Red Cross and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies also made statements.

Right of reply

The representatives of China, Nigeria, Côte d'Ivoire and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

Fifth Committee

18th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 . . . . . [108]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and heard a statement by the Secretary-Genera, who introduced his report on a strengthened and unified security management system for the United Nations (A/59/365, A/59/365/Corr.1, A/59/365/Add.1 and A/59/365/Add.1/Corr.1).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/59/539).

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services introduced the report of that Office (A/59/396).

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services . . . . . [118]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services introduced the reports of that Office (A/59/359 and A/58/785).

The representative of the Republic of Korea made a statement.

Sixth Committee

17th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-sixth session. [144]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 144.

The Chairman of the International Law Commission made a statement introducing chapters I to IV, VII and XI of the report of the Commission.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands, Sweden (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Norway (on behalf of the Nordic countries), the Czech Republic, China, Argentina, Italy, New Zealand, Finland (on behalf of the Nordic Countries) and the United States.

Corrigendum

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Corrigendum **to the summary of the 45th plenary meeting of the General Assembly (see *Journal* No. 2004/211, p.17): the text relating to the result of the second round of balloting for the election of the eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council, under agenda item 15 (b) (Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council), should read as follows:**

The result of the second round of balloting (first restricted ballot) were as follows:

	Votes
Albania	**108**
Costa Rica	**114**
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	**77**
Venezuela	**72**

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on special missions. New York, 8 December 1969

Accession: Colombia (29 October 2004)[1]

Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Technical Prescriptions for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be fitted and/or be used on Wheeled Vehicles and the Conditions for Reciprocal Recognition of Approvals Granted on the Basis of These Prescriptions. Geneva, 20 March 1958

Accession: Republic of Korea (1 November 2004)[1]

OLA/UNITAR Seminar on the Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

United Nations Headquarters, 9 and 10 November 2004

The above seminar, sponsored by the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat (OLA) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will take place on 9 and 10 November 2004 at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

The objective of the two-day seminar is to provide an overview of the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. The seminar is designed essentially to meet the needs of members of the permanent missions and representatives from capitals, and other personnel, in particular, legal counsellors and advisors, dealing with matters of treaty law, or specifically involved with the preparation of treaty actions with regard to multilateral treaties and with the registration of treaties pursuant to Article 102 of the United Nations Charter. Assistance and guidance will also be provided on the domestic aspects of participation in multilateral treaties.

The seminar is based on the Treaty Handbook, which was developed and published by the Treaty Section of OLA. The Treaty Handbook is a practical guide to the depositary practice of the Secretary-General and the registration requirements of the Secretariat. It is designated to serve as a tool for Member States, secretariats of international organizations and legal practitioners.

For more information about the seminar, please contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Information Notes and Nomination Forms will be transmitted to the Permanent Missions accredited to the United Nations in New York by UNITAR shortly.

Other announcements

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be "The persistence of slavery: A focus on human trafficking" (in observance of the International Year to Commemorate the Struggle against Slavery and Its Abolition). The briefing will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Signe Glahn, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-8318; e-mail section1d@un.org).

Secretary-General's Lecture Series

The next lecture in the Secretary-General's Lecture Series will be given by Professor Leon Botstein, President of Bard College and music director and principal conductor of the American Symphony Orchestra, on the topic "Why music matters". The lecture will be held on Monday, 8 November 2004, from 1.25 to 2.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Strategic Planning Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (tel. 1 (212) 963-2045).

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of November 2004 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Gambia
H.E. Mr. Crispin Grey-Johnson

Asian States:
Indonesia
H.E. Mr. Rezlan Ishar Jenie

Eastern European States:
Belarus
H.E. Mr. Andrei Dapkiunas

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Nicaragua
H.E. Mr. Eduardo J. Sevilla Somoza

Western European and other States:
New Zealand
H.E. Mr. Don MacKay

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www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
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Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 1 November 2004.

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A/59/PV.7	Meeting held on 23 September 2004, 10 a.m. [F]
A/59/PV.8	Meeting held on 23 September 2004, 3 p.m. [C]
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Fifty-ninth session
A/59/15 (Part I)	Report of the Trade and Development Board on its thirty-third executive session — Geneva, 23 September 2003 and 30 September 2004 [A C E F R S]
A/59/15 (Part IV)	Report of the Trade and Development Board on its thirty-fifth executive session — Geneva, 21 September 2004 [A C E F R S]
A/59/15 (Part V)	Report of the Trade and Development Board on its fifty-first executive session — Geneva, 4 to 15 October [A C E F R S]
A/59/372	Item 13 — Report of the International Court of Justice — Secretary-General's Trust Fund to Assist States in the Settlement of Disputes through the International Court of Justice — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
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(a) International trade and development (A/59/15 (Parts I-V), A/59/305 and A/59/369)

(d) Commodities (A/59/304)

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[1] To be issued.

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[1] Following the adjournment of the 19th meeting of the Committee.

Sixth Committee

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Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-sixth session (A/59/10) . . . . . [144]

Observer status for the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation in the General Assembly (A/59/234 and A/C.6/59/L.21) . . . . . [162]

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Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-sixth session (A/59/10) . . . . . [144]

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Capital Master Plan
2. Conditions of service and compensation for officials other than Secretariat officials
3. Draft reports

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 49 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 49 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Second Committee

Briefing

There will be a briefing on United Nations reform issues related to the Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review (TCPR) of operational activities for development, organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada, *today*, 3 November 2004, from 8.30 to 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of all Permanent Missions are invited to attend.

Informal "informals"

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Xolisa Mabhongo (South Africa), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 9.30 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. George Talbot (Guyana), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (b) (International financial system and development), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Mark Ramsden (New Zealand), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (b) (Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 11 to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Kumar Gupta (Canada), on the draft resolution on agenda item 86 (Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and of the twenty-fifth special session of the General Assembly), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 12.45 to 2.15 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Gabriel Cremades, (Spain) on the draft resolution on freshwater (under agenda item 85 (a)), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Paul Lolo (Nigeria), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (e) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Félix Mbayu (Cameroon), on the draft resolution on agenda item 84 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 2.45 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Irena Zubčević (Croatia), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development), will be held *today*, 3 November 2004, from 4 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Economic and Social Council

Informal "informals"

There will be informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Xolisa Mabhongo (South Africa), on science and technology for development (item 13 (b)) and on the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its seventh session (E/2004/31, Suppl. No. 11), *today*, 3 November 2004, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

There will be informal "informals" on the long-term programme of support for Haiti and the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti (under item 7 (d)), *today*, 3 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room S-2963D.

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 3 November 2004

2004 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament

9 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room E
2–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room E

JUSCANZ Group *(Third Committee)*

9–9.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Group of the Least Developed Countries *(pending issues before the resumed session of the Economic and Social Council; Second Committee draft resolution on the least developed countries; and preparation for the World Conference on Disaster Reduction (18-22 January, Japan))*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Group of 77 *(draft resolution on macroeconomic policy questions: trade and development)*

10 a.m.–12.30 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Group of 77 *(core group on eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the eradication of poverty (1997-2006))*

12.30–2.15 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Group of 77 *(coordinating meeting on sustainable development)*

12.45–2.15 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(Fifth Committee matters)*

12.45–2.15 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

2.30–4.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Group of 77 *(macroeconomic issues and financing for development issues)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 *(resumed substantive session of the Economic and Social Council: coordination segment; item 6 (b) (Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits: review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010); item 10 (Regional cooperation); item 12 (Non-governmental organizations); item 13 (Economic and environmental questions); 13 (a) (Sustainable development): decision to revert to the issue of the smooth transition strategy for countries graduating from least developed country status; and of the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its sixth session, to build further on the elements for draft resolutions; item 13 (b) (Science and technology); item 13 (g) (Committee of Experts on Public Administration); item 13 (h) (International cooperation in tax matters); item 7 (d) (Long-term programme of support for Haiti): Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti; and Second Committee matters: draft resolution on macroeconomic policy questions: commodities)*

2.30–5.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Open-ended informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (under agenda item 105 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway)

10–11.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Meeting of co-sponsors on a Third Committee draft resolution on the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to promote and protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (under item 105 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the promotion of religious and cultural understanding, harmony and cooperation (organized by the Permanent Mission of Pakistan)

1.15–2.45p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions (organized by the Permanent Mission of Finland)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Follow-up to the Second World Assembly on Ageing" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Qatar)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees" (under agenda item 100) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Open-ended informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the "Rights of the child" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina and Brazil)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "The right to food" (under agenda item 105 (b)) and on a draft resolution entitled "Respect for the right to universal freedom of travel and the vital importance of family reunification" (under agenda item 105 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Cuba)

4–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (Suite of offices)

Arab Group *(ambassadorial level)*

12 noon–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Open-ended informal consultations on improving the effectiveness of the methods of work of the First Committee (organized by the Permanent Mission of Indonesia)

1–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

United Nations Administrative Tribunal

The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will hold closed meetings *today*, 3 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in room DC2-0461.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Wednesday, 3 November 2004

Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon . . . . Mr. Peter Hansen, Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 4 November 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

10 a.m. . . . . 49th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Report of the International Court of Justice . . . . . [13]

(a) Report of the International Court of Justice (A/59/4)

(b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/372)

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will take up agenda item 76 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories), beginning on Monday, 8 November 2004. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on the item are urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers as soon as possible (room S-2977; tel. 1 (917) 367-3189).

Second Committee

Informal "informals"

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m., in a conference room to be announced in the *Journal*.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Ulrika Cronenberg-Mossberg (Sweden), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (Sustainable development), will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 10 to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Gustavo Ainchil (Argentina), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind), will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Paul Lolo (Nigeria), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (e) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa), will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 12.30 to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Stefano Toscano (Switzerland), on the draft resolutions on agenda item 85 (c) (International Strategy for Disaster Reduction) and on international cooperation to reduce the impact of the El Niño phenomenon, will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Juraj Kosdelka (Czech Republic), on the draft resolution on natural disasters and vulnerability (under agenda item 85 (c)), will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 4 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Keynote address

A keynote address to the Second Committee delegates on the Millennium Development Goals will be made by Professor Jeffrey Sachs, Director of The Earth Institute and Special Advisor to the Secretary-General on the Millennium Development Goals, on Tuesday, 9 November 2004, from 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The meeting will be presided over by Mr. Marco Balarezo (Peru), Chairman of the Second Committee. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (tel. 1 (212) 963-8429; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail olvida@un.org)). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Third Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on agenda items 100, 103 and 104 is open (A/C.3/59/L.1/Rev.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Third Committee secretariat (Ms. Vivian Bonano (tel. 1 (212) 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are also requested to submit the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 20th meeting on Thursday, 4 November 2004, at 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 20th meeting and at 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Sixth Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all remaining items allocated to the Sixth Committee is open (A/C.6/59/L.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Nena Villena-Tanedo (tel. 1 (212) 963-5375; fax 1 (212) 963-1963; e-mail villena-tanedo@un.org)).

General Assembly

2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and 2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme

The 2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the 2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme, will be held on Thursday, 11 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2. It would be appreciated if delegations could submit the names of their representatives to the Pledging Conferences, in writing, to Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

The list of speakers will be open from Wednesday, 3 November 2004. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Conference (Ms. Terri Olvida (fax 1 (212) 963-5935; or e-mail olvida@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

Informal "informals"

There will be informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), on "International cooperation in tax matters", item 13 (h), on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations

Informal consultations, convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Ms. Marjatta Rasi (Finland), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, on the following issues before the resumed substantive session for 2004:

1. Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits [6]

   (b) Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010

   Action on draft resolution contained in document E/2004/L.55

2. Regional cooperation . . . . . [10]

   Action on a draft proposal to change the venue of the twenty-third session of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

3. Non-governmental organizations . . . . . [12]

   Action on draft decision V contained in document (E/2004/32 and statement of programme budget implications (E/2004/L.38))

4. Economic and environmental questions . . . . . [13]

   (a) Sustainable development

   Action on draft resolutions contained in documents E/2004/L.56 and E/2004/L.57

   (b) Science and technology

   Action on draft resolution I contained in document E/2004/31

   (h) International cooperation in tax matters (E/2004/51 and E/2004/L.40)

   Action on draft proposals

5. Coordination, programme and other questions . . . . . [7]

   (d) Long-term programme of support for Haiti

   Action on a draft proposal[1]

Resumed substantive session 2004

The Economic and Social Council will convene its 53rd meeting of its resumed substantive session 2004, on Friday, 5 November 2004, immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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[1] To be issued.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Meeting of Legal Advisers of the States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court

There will be a meeting of the Legal Advisers of the States Parties to discuss matters relating to the International Criminal Court (ICC), on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room D.

Eastern European Group *(Fifth Committee matters)*

There will be a meeting of the Eastern European Group *(Fifth Committee matters)* on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities", organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico, will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism", organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico, will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Briefing on the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mauritius)

There will be a briefing on the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005), organized by the Permanent Mission of Mauritius, on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of Permanent Missions are invited to attend.

UNITAR/OLA seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) are jointly conducting a seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties. The seminar will

be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 and 10 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. The programme of the seminar will be sent to registered participants. Delegates who wish to attend the seminar are requested to return the nomination form that has been faxed to their Permanent Mission by Thursday, 4 November. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-9683).

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization (under agenda item 56 (d)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Georgia)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization (under agenda item 56 (d)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Georgia), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 3 to 5 p.m. Conference Room D.

Briefing on the Sixth Global Forum on Reinventing Government (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea, in cooperation with the Division for Public Administration and Development Management, DESA)

There will be a briefing on the upcoming Sixth Global Forum on Reinventing Government (Seoul, 24-25 May 2005), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea, in cooperation with the Division for Public Administration and Development Management, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Thursday, 18 November 2004, from 2 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Seok-hee Kang (tel. 1 (212) 439-4090; or e-mail shkang93@mofat.go.kr).

UNITAR workshop series on policy awareness and training in information technology

As part of the series on policy awareness and training in information technology, the third high-level seminar of this year on "Policy awareness and security issues in information technology", organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will be held on Friday, 19 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The seminar is part of the third annual series, presented under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics and implemented with the active participation and sponsorship of the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation. For further information please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshops on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation jointly organize the 2004 Series entitled "Policy awareness and training in information technology" under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which will be repeated four times throughout the year. The first four modules of each cycle focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, conceived as an interactive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology. Cycle IV of the 2004 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held until Friday, 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshop on international trade

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the World Trade Organization (WTO), is organizing a workshop on international trade. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held in New York on Monday, 22 November, and on Tuesday, 23 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9. The workshop is intended primarily for members of Permanent Missions in New York. A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

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Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Monday, 1 November 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Background information on a report of the Secretary-General

Background information on the report of the Secretary-General on the modalities, format and organization of the high-level plenary meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly can be found on the United Nations Web site (www.un.org/SG).

Preparations for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (28 February-11 March 2005), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Addressing the linkages between the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome document of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly and the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: progress, gaps and challenges; and (b) Future perspectives on the promotion of gender equality: through the eyes of young women and men. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org and/or proppe@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463; room DC2-1268 or room DC2-1262), no later than *19 November 2004*, indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated.

2004 Nairobi Summit on a Mine-Free World

Delegations are kindly informed that the list of speakers at the high-level segment on Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 December 2004, at the First Review Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction is now open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Executive Secretariat at the Geneva Branch of the Department for Disarmament Affairs (tel. +41 (0) 22-917-5281 or 22-917-2281). Delegations are kindly asked to indicate the level of the representative as well as the preferred time-block for delivering their statement (i.e. 2 December, morning session, 2 December, afternoon session, or 3 December, morning session). Delegations are reminded that the allotted time for statements is 6 minutes.

Electronic notice boards for meetings

Electronic notice boards for meetings were recently installed in the General Assembly Lobby and at the garden level adjacent to the Cafe Austria to display updated information on scheduled meetings taking place at Headquarters. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management would welcome feedback comments on the screens, which can be sent by logging on to http://emeets.un.org and using the feedback form, so that further adjustments can be made as necessary. The Department would also welcome comments sent to the same e-mail address on the terminology used, the quality of language services and improvement of other services provided to Member States.

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, in his capacity as the Secretary-General

of the Mauritius International Meeting, announces that as per General Assembly resolution 58/213B (A/RES/58/213B), the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Barbados+10) will take place from 10 to 14 January 2005 in Mauritius. The high-level segment will be held on 13 and 14 January 2005. If necessary, it was also decided that two days of informal consultations be held in Mauritius, on 8 and 9 January 2005, to facilitate preparations for the Meeting.

Summary of meetings

Tuesday, 2 November 2004

Security Council

5069th meeting *The situation in Guinea-Bissau*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Guinea-Bissau, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2004/41).

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

21st meeting *United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East* [75]

The Committee continued its general debate on this item and heard statements by the representatives of Japan, Malaysia, Morocco, Viet Nam, South Africa, Norway, Kuwait, Turkey, the Sudan, Bangladesh, Canada, the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey and Croatia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro), Cuba, China, the United States and Israel.

The representative of the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

The Commissioner-General of UNRWA made a closing statement.

The observer for Palestine made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Organization of work

The Chairman reminded the Committee that the deadline for submission of draft proposal relating to both items 75 and 76 was Friday, 5 November, at 6 p.m.

Second Committee

22nd meeting

Globalization and interdependence . . . . . [87]

(a) Globalization and interdependence

(b) International migration and development

(c) Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin

(d) Culture and development

(e) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Armenia, El Salvador, the Philippines, Cape Verde, Ukraine, Sri Lanka, Egypt, Venezuela and Zimbabwe.

Statements were also made by the observers for the International Organization for Migration and the Eurasian Economic Community.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the representative of Brazil, in which he made a correction to the statement he had delivered at the 21st meeting.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion under the item.

Macroeconomic policy questions . . . . . [83]

(a) International trade and development

(d) Commodities

Programme planning . . . . . [109]

Introduction and general discussion

The Committee began its joint consideration of the items.

The Vice-President of the Trade and Development Board and the Officer-in-Charge of UNCTAD made introductory statements.

In accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 58/316, the Committee held a dialogue with the substantive representatives, in the course of which comments were made and questions were posed by the representatives of Egypt, Burkina Faso and Côte d'Ivoire and by the observer for the European Community, to which the Vice-President, Trade and Development Board and the Officer-in-Charge, UNCTAD, responded.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to approve the proposed strategic framework for the period 2006-2007 for Programme 10 (Trade and development) for submission to the Fifth Committee.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 109.

Third Committee

34th meeting

Advancement of women . . . . . [98]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.26

The representative of Qatar introduced and orally revised the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of 77, China and Mexico.

Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments . . . . [105 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.31

The representative of Mexico introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed as well as Azerbaijan, El Salvador, Indonesia, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru, Senegal and Uruguay.

Human rights questions . . . . . [105]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items and heard statements by the representatives of Liechtenstein, Cyprus, Argentina, Indonesia, Colombia, Nigeria, Greece, Qatar, Malaysia, Switzerland, Mexico, Cuba, Lebanon, Uganda, the Syrian Arab Republic, Armenia, Togo, Bangladesh and Venezuela, as well as by the observer for Palestine.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of sub-items 105 (b), (c) and (e).

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Myanmar, Turkey, Israel, Azerbaijan, Cyprus, Greece and Armenia, and by the observer for Palestine.

Sixth Committee

18th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-sixth session [144]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 144.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Germany, Brazil, India, Japan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United Kingdom, Guatemala, France, Slovenia, Austria, Spain, Gabon, Mexico and the Republic of Korea.

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Friday, 29 October 2004

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Human Rights Committee
Eighty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

2243rd meeting (closed) *Consideration of communications under Optional Protocol to the Covenant* . . . . [9]

The Committee considered the item.

2244th meeting (closed) The country report task forces met to consider the lists of issues on Iceland, Mauritius and Greece.

Monday, 1 November 2004

2245th meeting (closed) The Committee considered the concluding observations on Albania.

2246th meeting (closed) *Follow-up to concluding observations on State reports and to views under the Optional Protocol* . . . . . [7]

The Committee had before it a report on the item.

Tuesday, 2 November 2004

2247th meeting (closed) *Consideration of communications under Optional Protocol to the Covenant* . . . . [9]

The Committee considered the item.

2248th meeting (closed) The Committee considered the concluding observations on Benin.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Recovery Abroad of Maintenance. New York, 20 June 1956

Accession: Seychelles (1 November 2004)[1]

United Nations Convention against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Ratification: Romania (2 November 2004)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

OLA/UNITAR Seminar on the Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

United Nations Headquarters, 9 and 10 November 2004

The above seminar, sponsored by the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat (OLA) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will take place on 9 and 10 November 2004 at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The objective of the two-day seminar is to provide an overview of the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. The seminar is designed essentially to meet the needs of members of the permanent missions and representatives from capitals, and other personnel, in particular, legal counsellors and advisors, dealing with matters of treaty law, or specifically involved with the preparation of treaty actions with regard to multilateral treaties and with the registration of treaties pursuant to Article 102 of the United Nations Charter. Assistance and guidance will also be provided on the domestic aspects of participation in multilateral treaties.

The seminar is based on the Treaty Handbook, which was developed and published by the Treaty Section of OLA. The Treaty Handbook is a practical guide to the depositary practice of the Secretary-General and the registration requirements of the Secretariat. It is designated to serve as a tool for Member States, secretariats of international organizations and legal practitioners.

For more information about the seminar, please contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Information Notes and Nomination Forms will be transmitted to the Permanent Missions accredited to the United Nations in New York by UNITAR shortly.

Other announcements

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be "The persistence of slavery: A focus on human trafficking" (in observance of the International Year to Commemorate the Struggle against Slavery and Its Abolition). The briefing will be held on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Signe Glahn, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-8318; e-mail section1d@un.org).

Secretary-General's Lecture Series

The next lecture in the Secretary-General's Lecture Series will be given by Professor Leon Botstein, President of Bard College and music director and principal conductor of the American Symphony Orchestra, on the topic "Why music matters". The lecture will be held on Monday, 8 November 2004, from 1.25 to 2.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Strategic Planning Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (tel. 1 (212) 963-2045).

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Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 2 November 2004.

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	First Committee
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A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.6*	Reissued for technical reasons [E (only)]
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A/59/541-S/2004/873	Letter dated 27 October 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Kazakhstan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
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S/2004/875	Letter dated 28 October 2004 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

S/AC.44/2004/(02)/9 **Note verbale dated 22 October 2004 from the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee [A C E F R S]**

Secretariat

ST/IC/2004/51 **Information circular — Official holidays for 2005 at United Nations Headquarters [E F (only)]**

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Thursday, 4 November 2004

Security Council

10 a.m. — 5070th meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Date of election to fill a vacancy in the International Court of Justice (S/2004/830)

Morning[1] — 5071st meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Report of the Secretary-General on the Sudan

   Report of the Secretary-General on the Sudan pursuant to paragraph 15 of the Security Council Resolution 1564 of 18 September 2004, and paragraphs 6, 13 and 16 of Security Council resolution 1556 of 30 July 2004 (S/2004/881)

Morning[2] — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Sudan

Other matters

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 5070th meeting.
[2] To be held following the adjournment of the 5071st meeting.

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities

11.30 a.m. — 24th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 7

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

3.30 p.m. — 117th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 7

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General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

9.30 a.m. — **49th plenary meeting** — General Assembly Hall

Report of the International Court of Justice [13]

(a) **Report of the International Court of Justice (A/59/4)**

(b) **Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/372)**

Main Committees

First Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. — **22nd meeting** — Conference Room 2

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under disarmament and international security agenda items (items 57–72): *item 58* (A/C.1/59/L.55/Rev.2); *item 65* (A/59/132, A/59/132/Add.1, A/59/132/Add.2, A/59/132/Add.2/Corr.1, A/59/132/Add.3, A/59/132/Add.4, A/59/132/Add.5, A/59/137, A/59/137/Add.1, A/59/178, A/59/178/Add.1, A/C.1/59/L.1, A/C.1/59/L.13, A/C.1/59/L.34, A/C.1/59/L.53/Rev.1 and A/C.1/59/L.60)

Other documents (A/C.1/59/1, A/C.1/59/2, A/C.1/59/3*, A/C.1/59/4, A/C.1/59/INF/1, A/C.1/59/INF/1/Add.1, A/C.1/59/INF/2, A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.1*, A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.2, A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.3*, A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.4*, A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.5, A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.6* and A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.7)

Second Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. — **25th meeting** — Conference Room 4

2.30–5.30 p.m. — **26th meeting** — Conference Room 4

Operational activities for development (A/59/115) [90]

(a) **Operational activities for development of the United Nations system (A/59/135)**

(b) **Triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system (A/59/84-E/2004/53, A/59/85-E/2004/68, A/59/386, A/59/387 and A/59/3 (Chap. 1)**

Introduction and general discussion

Third Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. — **36th meeting** — Conference Room 1

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [103]

(a) **Elimination of racism and racial discrimination (A/59/18[1], A/59/275, A/59/276, A/59/330, A/59/329, A/59/425[1] and A/C.3/59/4[1])**

(b) **Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action (A/59/375 and A/C.3/59/4[1])**

[1] To be issued.

Right of peoples to self-determination (A/59/66-S/2004/219, A/59/191, A/59/376, A/59/425[1] and A/59/427-S/2004/806) . . . . . [104]

Continuation of general discussion

2.30–5.30 p.m. **37th meeting** . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. **Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments** . . . [105 (a)]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.33

2. **Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms** . . . . . [105 (b)]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.34 and A/C.3/59/L.35

3. **Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family** . . . . . [94 (a)]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.18/Rev.1

4. **Crime prevention and criminal justice** . . . . . [96]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.22/Rev.1

5. **International drug control** . . . . . [97]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.19/Rev.1

6. **Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century"** . . . . . [99]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.23

7. **Programme of activities for the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People, 1995-2004** . . . . . [102]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.30

8. **Advancement of women** . . . . . [98]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/59/L.24 and A/C.3/59/L.26 (programme budget implications: A/C.3/59/L.36)

[1] To be issued.

Fifth Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. **20th meeting** . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. **Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005** . . . . . [108]

   Strengthened and unified security management system for the United Nations (A/59/365, A/59/365/Corr.1, A/59/365/Add.1, A/59/365/Add.1/Corr.1, A/59/539 and A/59/396)

   Conclusion of general discussion

2. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/59/359 and A/58/785) [118]

Conclusion of general discussion

2.30–4.30 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 108 (Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005): Strengthened and unified security management system for the United Nations (A/59/365, A/59/365/Corr.1, A/59/365/Add.1, A/59/365/Add.1/Corr.1, A/59/539 and A/59/396))

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR)/International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY)
2. Executive session on the United Nations Fund for International Partnership
3. Executive session on estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives, authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council: United Nations advance team in the Sudan

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Second Committee
Informal "informals"

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held *today*, 4 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6, and from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal "informals", convened by the Permanent Mission of Angola, on the draft resolution on agenda item 39 (b) (Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions), which will be held *today*, 4 November 2004, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Gustavo Ainchil (Argentina), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind), will be held *today*, 4 November 2004, from 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Paul Lolo (Nigeria), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (e) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or

Desertification, Particularly in Africa), will be held *today*, 4 November 2004, from 12.30 to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Félix Mbayu (Cameroon), on the draft resolution on agenda item 84 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development), will be held *today*, 4 November 2004, from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. George Talbot (Guyana), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (b) (International financial system and development), will be held *today*, 4 November 2004, from 2.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Juraj Koudelka (Czech Republic), on the draft resolution on natural disasters and vulnerability (under agenda item 85 (c)), will be held *today*, 4 November 2004, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Stefano Toscano (Switzerland), on the draft resolutions on agenda item 85 (c) (International Strategy for Disaster Reduction), will be held today, 4 November 2004, from 4 to 5.30 in Conference Room C.

Economic and Social Council

Informal "informals"

There will be informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), on "International cooperation in tax matters", item 13 (h), *today*, 4 November 2004, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

There will be Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Beatriz Patti Londoño, (Colombia), on draft decision V (Dates of the 2005 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations and provisional agenda) of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (E/2004/32), *today*, 4 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.15 in Conference Room 4.

Other meetings

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Thursday, 4 November 2004

Eastern European Group *(Fifth Committee matters)*

9–10 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Meeting of Legal Advisers of the States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court

9–9.45 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on eradication of poverty and other development issues; achieving coherence of development goals with conflict prevention and peace-building measures; international cooperation in tax matters; and regional cooperation)*

10–12.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Group of 77 *(macroeconomic issues; financial for development issues; and globalization and interdependence issues)*

12.30–2.15 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(coordinating meeting on sustainable development)*

12.45–2.15 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Group of 77 *(Fifth Committee matters)*

12.45–2.15 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on operational activities for development: triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system)*

2.30–5.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "World Programme for Human Rights Education" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Australia)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "The right to development" (under agenda item 105 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Malaysia)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions (organized by the Permanent Mission of Finland)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

African Group *(experts of the Third Committee)*

12.45–2.15 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . **Conference Room 1**

Informal consultations on draft resolution A/59/L.15 entitled "Promotion of cooperation amongst religions" (under agenda item 35) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Philippines)

2.30–3 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . **Conference Room E**

Briefing on the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mauritius)

There will be a briefing on the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005), organized by the Permanent Mission of Mauritius, *today*, 4 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of Permanent Missions are invited to attend.

United Nations Administrative Tribunal

The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will hold closed meetings *today*, 4 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in room DC2-0461.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Thursday, 4 November 2004

Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon[1] . . . . Mr. Jan Pronk, Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the Sudan

[1] Or immediately following the consultations of the whole of the Security Council.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will take up agenda item 76 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories), beginning on Monday, 8 November 2004. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on the item are urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers as soon as possible (room S-2977; tel. 1 (917) 367-3189).

Second Committee

Informal "informals"

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Ulrika Cronenberg-Mossberg (Sweden), on the draft resolution on agenda item 87 (b) (International migration and development), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 9.30 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Xolisa Mabhongo (South Africa), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 9.30 to 11 a.m., in a conference room to be announced in the *Journal*.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Irena Zubčević (Croatia), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 11 to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Gabriel Cremades (Spain), on the draft resolution on freshwater (under agenda item 85), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 12.45 to 2.15 p.m., in a conference room to be announced in the *Journal*.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. George Talbot (Guyana), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (b) (International financial system and development), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 12.45 to 2.15 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Khondker Talha (Bangladesh), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (a) (International trade and development), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Ulrika Cronenberg-Mossberg (Sweden), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (Sustainable development), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Kumar Gupta (Canada), on the draft resolution on agenda item 86 (Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and of the twenty-fifth special session of the General Assembly), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 4 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Keynote address

A keynote address to the Second Committee delegates on the Millennium Development Goals will be made by Professor Jeffrey Sachs, Director of The Earth Institute and Special Advisor to the Secretary-General on the Millennium Development Goals, on Tuesday, 9 November 2004, from 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The meeting will be presided over by Mr. Marco Balarezo (Peru), Chairman of the Second Committee. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (tel. 1 (212) 963-8429; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail olvida@un.org)). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Third Committee

Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations, convened by Ms. Astanah Abdul Aziz (Malaysia), Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, to negotiate the Chairman's text relating to the issue of revitalization of the work of the Committee, on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on agenda items 100, 103 and 104 is open (A/C.3/59/L.1/Rev.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Third Committee secretariat (Ms. Vivian Bonano (tel. 1 (212) 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are also requested to submit the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 21st meeting on Friday, 5 November 2004, *starting promptly* at 9.30 a.m., in the General Assembly Hall. Informal consultations (closed) will be held at 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its 21st meeting on Friday, 5 November 2004, at 9.30 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all remaining items allocated to the Sixth Committee is open (A/C.6/59/L.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Nena Villena-Tanedo (tel. 1 (212) 963-5375; fax 1 (212) 963-1963; e-mail villena-tanedo@un.org)).

General Assembly

2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and 2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme

The 2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the 2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme, will be held on Thursday, 11 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in *Conference Room 4*. It would be appreciated if delegations could submit the names of their representatives to the Pledging Conferences, in writing, to Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (fax 1 (212) 963-5935). The list of speakers is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Conference (Ms. Terri Olvida (fax 1 (212) 963-5935; or e-mail olvida@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

Informal consultations

Informal consultations, convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Ms. Marjatta Rasi (Finland), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, on the following issues before the resumed substantive session for 2004:

1. **Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits [6]**

   (b) **Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010**

   Action on draft resolution contained in document E/2004/L.55

2. **Regional cooperation [10]**

   Action on a draft proposal to change the venue of the twenty-third session of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

3. **Non-governmental organizations [12]**

   Action on draft decision V contained in document E/2004/32 (statement of programme budget implications: E/2004/L.38)

4. **Economic and environmental questions [13]**

   (a) **Sustainable development**

Action on draft resolutions contained in documents E/2004/L.56 and E/2004/L.57

(b) Science and technology

Action on draft resolution I contained in document E/2004/31

(h) International cooperation in tax matters (E/2004/51 and E/2004/L.40)

Action on draft proposals

5. Coordination, programme and other questions . . . . . [7]

(d) Long-term programme of support for Haiti

Action on a draft proposal[1]

Resumed substantive session 2004

The Economic and Social Council will convene its 53rd meeting of its resumed substantive session 2004, on Friday, 5 November 2004, immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[1] To be issued.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Meeting of co-sponsors of a draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of a draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations", organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden, on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

There will be a meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Human Rights

There will be a meeting of the Working Group on Human Rights of the Non-Aligned Movement on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 2.30 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees" (under agenda item 100) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway)

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees" (under agenda item 100), organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway, will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Enhancing the role of regional, subregional and other organizations and arrangements in promoting and consolidating democracy" (under agenda item 105 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Romania)

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Enhancing the role of regional, subregional and other organizations and arrangements in promoting and consolidating democracy" (under agenda item 105 (b)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Romania, will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Open-ended informal consultation on a Third Committee draft resolution on the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (under agenda item 105 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway)

Open-ended informal consultation on a Third Committee draft resolution on the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (under agenda item 105 (b)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway, will be convene on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Assistance to survivors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda particularly orphans, widows and victims of sexual violence" (under agenda item 39 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Nigeria, representative of the current Chairman of the African Union)

There will be informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Assistance to survivors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda particularly orphans, widows and victims of sexual violence" (under agenda item 39 (b)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Nigeria, representative of the current Chairman of the African Union, on Friday, 5 November 2004 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization (under agenda item 56 (d)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Georgia)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization (under agenda item 56 (d)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Georgia), will be held on Friday, 5 November 2004, from 3 to 5 p.m. Conference Room D.

Community of Democracies *("democracy caucus") (at the Deputy Permanent Representative level)*

There will be a meeting of the Community of Democracies ***("democracy caucus") (at the Deputy Permanent Representative level)***, organized by the Permanent Mission of Chile, on Monday, 8 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

UNITAR/OLA seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) are jointly conducting a seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties. The seminar will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 and 10 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. The programme of the seminar will be sent to registered participants. Delegates who wish to attend the seminar are requested to return the nomination form that has been faxed to their Permanent Mission by *today*, 4 November. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-9683).

Briefing on the Sixth Global Forum on Reinventing Government (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea, in cooperation with the Division for Public Administration and Development Management, DESA)

There will be a briefing on the upcoming Sixth Global Forum on Reinventing Government (Seoul, 24-25 May 2005), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea, in cooperation with the Division for Public Administration and Development Management, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Thursday, 18 November 2004, from 2 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Seok-hee Kang (tel. 1 (212) 439-4090; or e-mail shkang93@mofat.go.kr).

UNITAR workshop series on policy awareness and training in information technology

As part of the series on policy awareness and training in information technology, the third high-level seminar of this year on "Policy awareness and security issues in information technology", organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will be held on Friday, 19 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The seminar is part of the third annual series, presented under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics and implemented with the active participation and sponsorship of the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation. For further information please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshops on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation jointly organize the 2004 Series entitled "Policy awareness and training in information technology" under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which will be repeated four times throughout the year. The first four modules of each cycle focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, conceived as an interactive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology. Cycle IV of the 2004 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held until Friday, 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshop on international trade

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the World Trade Organization (WTO), is organizing a workshop on international trade. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held in New York on Monday, 22 November, and on Tuesday, 23 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9. The workshop is intended primarily for members of Permanent Missions in New York. A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Monday, 1 November 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Background information on a report of the Secretary-General

The report of the Secretary-General on the modalities, format and organization of the high-level plenary meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/59/545 and can also be found on the United Nations Web site (www.un.org/SG).

Preparations for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (28 February-11 March 2005), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Addressing the linkages between the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome document of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly and the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: progress, gaps and challenges; and (b) Future perspectives on the promotion of gender equality: through the eyes of young women and men. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org and/or proppe@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463; room DC2-1268 or room DC2-1262), no later than *19 November 2004*, indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated.

2004 Nairobi Summit on a Mine-Free World

Delegations are kindly informed that the list of speakers at the high-level segment on Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 December 2004, at the First Review Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction is now open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Executive Secretariat at the Geneva Branch of the Department for Disarmament Affairs (tel. +41 (0) 22-917-5281 or 22-917-2281). Delegations are kindly asked to indicate the level of the representative as well as the preferred time-block for delivering their statement (i.e. 2 December, morning session, 2 December, afternoon session, or 3 December, morning session). Delegations are reminded that the allotted time for statements is 6 minutes.

Electronic notice boards for meetings

Electronic notice boards for meetings were recently installed in the General Assembly Lobby and at the garden level adjacent to the Cafe Austria to display updated information on scheduled meetings taking place at Headquarters. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management would welcome feedback comments on the screens, which can be sent by logging on to http://emeets.un.org and using the feedback form, so that further adjustments can be made as necessary. The Department would also welcome comments sent to the same e-mail address on the terminology used, the quality of language services and improvement of other services provided to Member States.

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, in his capacity as the Secretary-General of the Mauritius International Meeting, announces that as per General Assembly resolution 58/213B (A/RES/58/213B), the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Barbados+10) will take place from 10 to 14 January 2005 in Mauritius. The high-level segment will be held on 13 and 14 January 2005. If necessary, it was also decided that two days of informal consultations be held in Mauritius, on 8 and 9 January 2005, to facilitate preparations for the Meeting.

Summary of meetings

Wednesday, 3 November 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

First Committee

21st meeting

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 57-72)

The Committee continued its third stage of work (Action on all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 57-72)).

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.56 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Sweden (on behalf of the New Agenda Coalition), Indonesia and Cuba.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.17/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of vote before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Egypt.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.43/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.49/Rev.2* was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.45/Rev.2 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of vote after the vote, a statement was made by the representative of India.

Statements were made by the representatives of Albania, Croatia, the United Kingdom and Sierra Leone.

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

Second Committee

23rd meeting

Globalization and interdependence . . . . . [87]

(e) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.19

The representative of Ukraine introduced draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.19

Information and communication technologies for development . . . . . [44]

Draft resolution A/C.2/L.18

With the consent of the Committee, the representative of Switzerland introduced draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.18.

Macroeconomic policy questions . . . . . [83]

(a) International trade and development

(d) Commodities

The Committee continued its consideration of the sub-items.

A statement was made by the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States.

The Committee began its general discussion under the sub-items and heard statements by the representatives of Pakistan, Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Russian Federation, China, India, Mauritius (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)), Kenya, Bangladesh, Cuba, Switzerland, Australia (on behalf of the Cairns group), Malaysia, Nepal, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and Burkina Faso.

A statement was also made by the observer for the European Commission (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey and Croatia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Bosnia and Herzegovina, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro).

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

24th meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions . . . . . [83]

(a) International trade and development

(d) Commodities

The Committee continued its general discussion under the sub-items and heard statements by the representatives of Thailand, South Africa, Mali, Venezuela, Indonesia (on behalf of the Association of South-East Asian Nations), the Lao People's Democratic Republic (on behalf of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries), the United States, the Philippines, Belarus, Iraq, Guyana (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), Egypt, Ethiopia and Ukraine.

A statement was also made by the observer for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources.

The Officer-in-Charge, UNCTAD, made a statement in which he responded to various points made during the general discussion.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion under the sub-items.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Third Committee

35th meeting

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination . . . . . [103]

(a) Elimination of racism and racial discrimination

(b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Right of peoples to self-determination . . . . . [104]

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard an introductory statement by the Director of the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

The Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance introduced his report (A/59/330) under agenda item 103 (a).

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur, in which the following representatives took part: Switzerland, the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), Norway, the Russian Federation, Egypt, Cuba, Indonesia, Venezuela, Canada and Guatemala.

The Special Rapporteur on the question of the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination introduced her report (A/59/191) under agenda item 104.

The representative of Cuba engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur.

The Committee then began its general discussion of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77), Egypt (on agenda item 104), China, the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), Poland and Japan.

Organizational matters

The Chairperson made a statement.

The Secretary also made a statement.

Fifth Committee

19th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 . . . . . [108]

Strengthened and unified security management system for the United Nations

The Committee began its general discussion of this question and heard statements by the representatives of Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), Japan, Norway, the Russian Federation, Switzerland and Zambia.

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services . . . . . [118]

The Committee resumed its general discussion of this agenda item and heard statements by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey and Croatia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro; and the EFTA countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement), Turkey, the United States and the Syrian Arab Republic.

Sixth Committee

19th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-sixth session [144]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 144.

Statements were made by the representatives of Slovenia. Australia, the United States, Portugal, Belarus, Israel, Singapore, Greece, Switzerland, Cuba, the Russian Federation, El Salvador and Pakistan. The observer of the Council of Europe also made a statement

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

Observer status for the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation in the General Assembly . . . . . [162]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 162.

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan and Bangladesh.

The representative of Pakistan introduced draft resolution A/C.6/59/L.21.

The Committee thus concluded its debate on agenda item 162.

20th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-sixth session [144]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 144.

Statements were made by the representatives of Poland, Morocco, Romania, Kenya, Nigeria and Hungary.

Corrigendum

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Second Committee

Corrigendum: **to the summary of the 22nd meeting of the Second Committee (see *Journal* No. 2004/213, p.17): the chapeau "*Organization of work*" should be deleted.**

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Wednesday, 3 November 2004

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Human Rights Committee
Eighty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

2249th meeting (closed) The Committee considered concluding observations on Morocco.

2250th meeting (closed) *Consideration of communications under Optional Protocol to the Covenant* . . . . [9]

The Committee considered the item.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Notification under article 4 (3): Peru (28 October 2004)[1]

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973

Objection to the declaration made by Malaysia upon accession: Netherlands (2 November 2004)[1]

Objection to the declaration made by Malaysia upon accession: Germany (3 November 2004)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Objection to the declaration made by Malaysia upon accession: Netherlands (2 November 2004)[1]

Objection to the declaration made by Malaysia upon accession: Germany (3 November 2004)[1]

Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Kyoto, 11 December 1997

Accession: Sudan (2 November 2004)[1]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. New York, 25 May 2000

Accession: Sudan (2 November 2004)[1]

International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Signature: Pakistan (3 November 2004)

WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Ratification: Pakistan (3 November 2004)[1]

OLA/UNITAR Seminar on the Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

United Nations Headquarters, 9 and 10 November 2004

The above seminar, sponsored by the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat (OLA) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will take place on 9 and 10 November 2004 at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The objective of the two-day seminar is to provide an overview of the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. The seminar is designed essentially to meet the needs of members of the permanent missions and representatives from capitals, and other personnel, in particular, legal counsellors and advisors, dealing with matters of treaty law, or specifically involved with the preparation of treaty actions with regard to multilateral treaties and with the registration of treaties pursuant to Article 102 of the United Nations Charter. Assistance and guidance will also be provided on the domestic aspects of participation in multilateral treaties.

The seminar is based on the Treaty Handbook, which was developed and published by the Treaty Section of OLA. The Treaty Handbook is a practical guide to the depositary practice of the Secretary-General and the registration requirements of the Secretariat. It is designated to serve as a tool for Member States, secretariats of international organizations and legal practitioners.

For more information about the seminar, please contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Information Notes and Nomination Forms will be transmitted to the Permanent Missions accredited to the United Nations in New York by UNITAR shortly.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be "The persistence of slavery: A focus on human trafficking" (in observance of the International Year to Commemorate the Struggle against Slavery and Its Abolition). The briefing will be held *today*, 4 November 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Signe Glahn, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-8318; e-mail section1d@un.org).

Secretary-General's Lecture Series

The next lecture in the Secretary-General's Lecture Series will be given by Professor Leon Botstein, President of Bard College and music director and principal conductor of the American Symphony Orchestra, on the topic "Why music matters". The lecture will be held on Monday, 8 November 2004, from 1.25 to 2.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Strategic Planning Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (tel. 1 (212) 963-2045).

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A/C.3/59/L.34	Item 105 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 11-Power draft resolution — Subregional Centre for Human Rights and Democracy in Central Africa [A C E F R S]

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